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FIRST CLASS MAIL

Editor's Page

Hi, I want to again remind you to look at your address label. If you have a RED dot on it you need to send Nancy your $10.00 renewal. Don't lose your membership by procrastinating.

Lets welcome our new members..... .....

E.J. Aleo	Winchester, Ma.
Albergo Ross	Norco, Cal.
Jeffrey J. Curtiss	N.Windham, Ct.
Andrew S. Lalino	St. Petersburg, Fl.
Allan L. Fisher	Oakland, Cal.
Jeanette R. Weisend	Chesterland, Oh.

I'm looking forward to meeting many of our members at our annual meeting in October. Try to attend if at all possible. Our meeting will be at 10 AM on Saturary. Plenty of time to see all the sights after our meeting.

We received a note from Charles Diehl letting us know that he would be happy to serve as our Sgt.-at-Arms again, if the officers appointed him to the job. I'm real glad to hear that. Chuck is a super guy.

IASAC member Al Lo conceived the design for the new 1991 medal for the Liberty Numismatic Society. 100 pcs. were minted and are $20. each. They are SN.

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Orders should be sent to L.N.S. Box 844, Millbrae, Cal.

The SOLANO SILVER ROUND CLUB announced their new club round but their ordering deadline is July 1. As the Bugle isn't delivered untill July 1, you may be late. Price $20. Subject to be selected. Write PO Box 4104 Vallejo, Cal. 94590 if you are interested...

Lets all send Steve Rood a 'Get Well' card. He has a lot of recuperating to do. Send to:

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MEET JOE DeSILVA, IASAC Member #218

Joe's the one on the right. This is one of those pictures worth a thousand words. Joe promised to send me a photo of himself presenting one of his rounds to the world figures represented on them.* It was a nice surprise to receive this belated holiday card a while ago. Joe writes he is now based out of Dhahran Airport, helping in the rebuilding after the Persian Gulf War. He'll be stationed there for the next two to six years.

Some months ago I promised to send Gold Bars (Seattle's finest candy bar) or a silver bar to the first International member. With a Saudi Arabia address, you qualify Joe! Let me know your preference, and whether chocolates will survive the heat.

* see next page for a photo of Joe's round.

Obverse

Reverse

HISTORICAL SUMMITS

Joe was kind enough to send me some of his rounds for a fund raiser at my son's school. There were a few left after the auction. If anyone would like to make a tax deductible donation of $35, payable to St. Christopher Academy, a non-denominational school for children with learning disabilities, I'd be happy to send you one of the rounds.

Thanks! Nancy Yee, P.O. Box 28415
Seattle, Washington 98118

SAN DIEGO COINARAMA
1991 MEDAL

This medal was struck to commemorate an event which never happened. Omar died on March 24th, three months shy of his first birthday.

The mintage was ltd. to 90 three piece sets composed of 1 oz. silver, copper & oxidized copper. The set is $20 ppd. The medal is also available in bronze for $2.50 ppd. Please send orders to Ken Stempien, P.O. Box 1404, El Cajon CA 92022.

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GENERAL "STORMIN NORMAN"

FROM THE SILVER MINE

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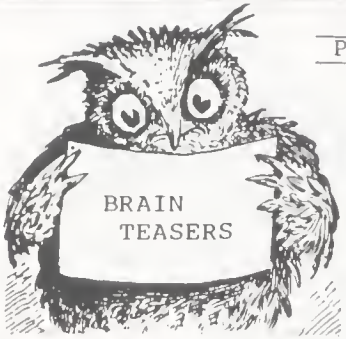

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Mail Entries to:

IASAC-Brain Teasers
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Seattle WA 98118

What a pity! No one came up with an answer for the anagram in the May Bugle. That one has had me stumped for the past two years. I was hoping someone would be able to solve the riddle. Keep working on it. We will still award a prize for the correct answers.

This time we have some ART BAR TRIVIA.

1. The USA-BC Club Bar (TM-9) is a play on what popular Simon & Garfunkel song?

2. Name two of the bars followed by the letter 'C' which are not cancelled.

3. The Silver Mint released two sets marking the 50th anniversary of MGM classics The Wizard of Oz and Gone With The Wind. How many, if any, Oscars did each film win?

4. How were the Ceeco Mint bars enameled, by hand or by machine?

5. Describe your favorite bar in 25 words or less.

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WHERE SHOULD I STORE MY VALUABLES?

(BANK VS. HOME)

Generally speaking, bank safe deposit boxes are safer than home storage. But, just how safe are they? Pretty safe. However, you can lose if you store valuables other than documents or jewelry. If the box turns up empty, for whatever reason, most banks limit their liability to a few times the annual rental fee and, even then, you must prove the loss. You definitely should read the rental contract.

Banks normally carry no insurance to protect against theft, etc., but a renter can obtain a cheap rider to his homeowner's insurance to cover such a loss.

There are occasional break-ins of bank safe deposit vaults but these are rare. Since these occur, though rarely, it pays to have a list of the contents outside the box to help prove their existence.

There is historical precedence of box renters being denied access to their boxes (1930s) but a repeat of this scenario is unlikely to recur in the absence of a panic in a severe economic crisis where government might want to confiscate gold and/or tax the contents such as unreported cash.

Also, the I.R.S. has the right to access safe deposit boxes without the renter's permission or knowledge. But, they must first obtain a court order showing that a crime has been committed or that taxes are owed the government. They are also searching for hidden income in the box. If such circumstances were known to the box renter, it would seem the right time for him to empty the contents of the box.

If a bank goes bankrupt and the doors are shut, a box renter won't be able to get into his box until the emergency is over.

Again, generally speaking, safe deposit boxes show a long, secure record for safety and tend to be safer than home storage.

The alternative to bank safe deposit boxes is that of home storage. But where can valuables be safely hidden around the home? Some common hiding places are behind stairwells in closets, behind ventilators, etc. The main problem here is the moisture created with the change in temperature and this plays havoc with rare coins and stamps.

Another method is that of burying valuables. This is an ancient way of securing their safety but it has many drawbacks. First, the terrific moisture problem. Second, the burial location must be four or five feet deep to escape the newer metal detectors. Lastly, people tend to forget where they bury things.

The best home storage method is either to buy a large safe, secured to the floor, or a good floor safe with its location known to as few people as absolutely necessary, thus preventing the compromising the safety of your valuables.

The obvious advantages of storing at home are those of privacy and of ready accessibility. Many collectors and investors use both the safe deposit box and a safe at home. Remember, there is no 100% place of safety, but you will obtain reasonable security by abiding by the aforementioned caveats.

Dennis Lotspeich
IASAC # 018

Thanks for this interesting article, Dennis! You must have GCM-5. How did you know we were going to be encouraging more member participation in this edition of the Bugle!

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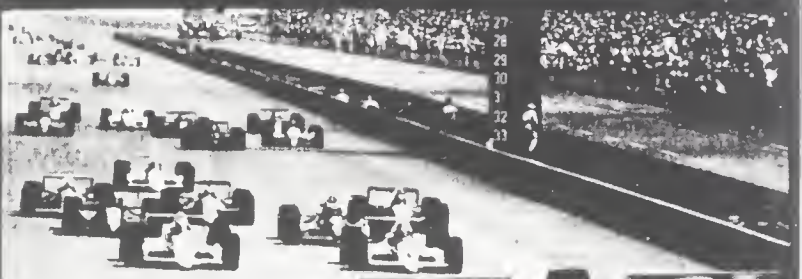

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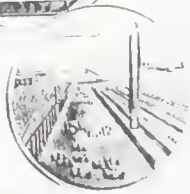

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SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

Nancy Yee 6/91

I made some interesting discoveries as I was working on advertising for the new bar catalog. Harry Forman told me that Medallic Art Company has gone out of business. Another company going out of business soon is Coin Gallery of San Francisco. The Unity Mint which made a lunar landing bar and a train ingot in 1989 was sold at the end of 1990 to a firm in Baltimore. Tri-State Mint stopped producing ingots about a year and a half ago, and Green Duck Corp. is thinking about starting up production of bars again. Things change. If anyone has any corrections or updates, please write and tell us.

Steve Rood sent me a box full of the best reading material! Copies of the old Limited Edition, Tom Greathouse's newsletters, the Silver Bar News, and much more. Many of our members have been involved for as long as the hobby has been around, and one article from the Limited Edition bears repeating. It is reprinted with permission from Bill & Nita Cassin.

"Some dealers and certain collectors are doing their best to keep the hobby going and make it advance, BUT what about all of the other people in this hobby?... This hobby, like all other hobbies, has people that can range from 'novice' to 'advanced'.

The 'novice' might feel that he will be laughed at for asking questions he feels are basic, and is reluctant to make suggestions because of his newness to the hobby. This person is very wrong if this is the reason for not writing a letter. Other

collectors will bend over backward to furnish answers (with no sign of a snicker) and will weigh all suggestions. We all learn from suggestions. A suggestion will bring both agreement and disagreement, but overall it makes a person think. This brings about changes and advancement.

Now look at the 'advanced' collector. This person seeks all the knowledge available, and knows that there is no person who can furnish all the answers. Some of these people have run across many items that bring questions to their minds, but are reluctant to ask them feeling that no one can give the answers. Who knows what will happen until they give it a try? A Tid-Bit here, and a Tid-Bit there often furnishes clues that will solve the riddles.

I would like to see the members of this hobby become Letter Writers for several reasons. All of us will benefit from the questions and suggestions. If a round table format is established, and everything is thrown out for discussion, ALL collectors will benefit, and it will be the widest possible way to distribute information. Think about it!"

To open the discussion, how about taking another look at some bars which were advertised for sale, but apparently never struck. The pictures (see next page) were taken from The Silver Bar News in 1974. I've run across many questions about their existence, but have not seen an answer. Does anyone have any information on these bars?

The 'I Was There' series was designed by Bob Jackson and features both Babe Ruth's 714th homer and Hank Aaron's 715th. Lloyd K. Eagle witnessed both events.

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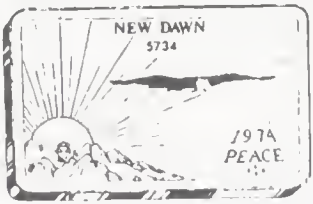

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THANKS to Bill & Hazel Allen, Howard Sparks, Douglas Vining and Ray Jacobs for their donations to the club treasury. It certainly helps with increased postage rates.

Previous Seattle balance:		$2294.59
Income:	New members, renewals	345.00
	Cash donations	20.00
		$2659.59
Less expenses:	Postage	$ 32.78
	FUN-Topics ad	20.00
	Office supplies, misc.	121.09
	Ad money transfered to Bugle acct.	25.00
	Advance to Duane Spellman for silver and 1991 bar costs	1000.00
		$1198.87
Seattle balance:		$1460.72
Bugle account:		102.06
Club Total:		$1562.78

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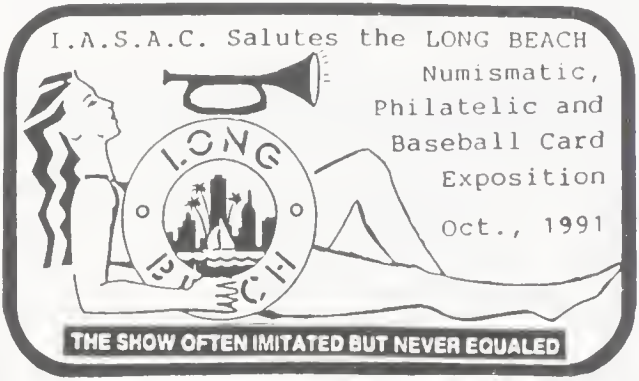

Winning Artwork..submitted by Nancy Yee....

Here is the winning design for our 1991 club bar. We had eleven different entries from Charles Luce, Dennis Lotspeich, Eugene Daley, Michelle Burke, Nancy Yee and Jerry Enlow. Thanks to all of them for making this our most successful competition ever! Officiating judges were Steve Rood, Jim Best, Harvey Chew, Ken Macomber, H. Earl Schlotzhauer, Bill & Nita Cassin and Duane Spellman.

Advance Order Form

The 1991 IASAC Club Silver Art Bar must be advance ordered by October 1, 1991 if you want your Club serial number. All orders after October 1 or at our annual meeting will be un-numbered.

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AS REPORTED IN COIN WORLD,

Art collectors plan meeting

The International Association of Silver Art Collectors will hold its annual meeting during the Long Beach Numismatic, Philatelic and Baseball Card Exposition, Oct. 10-13. Competition is currently under way to design the 1991 silver art bar, which will be for sale at the show.

For more information about the club, write to IASAC, P.O. Box 28415, Seattle, Wash. 98118. ■

Pack your bars & bags and meet us at Long Beach! We will have a club table, and the use of a meeting room on Saturday morning, October 12th. The club roster shows we have close to 30 California residents - we'll hope to see a number of you there!

Thanks go to Patti Moreno who has arranged for us to have a table at the show, and to Michelle Burke who has provided us with hotel information. Michelle notes that hotel space fills up early. She recommends making reservations as soon as possible. The closest hotels are:

Hyatt Regency: (Host Hotel)	Single/Double $98. (213) 491-1234 or 1-800-233-1234.
Sheraton Long Beach:	Single $120/Dbl.$130. (213)436-3000 or 1-800-325-3535.
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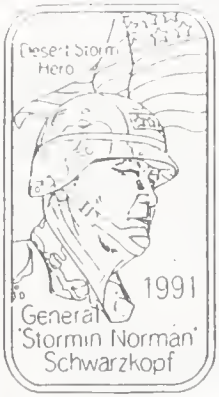

'STORMIN NORMAN' TO HAVE THREE REVERSE VARIETIES

The latest release from the Silver Mine, featuring Desert Storm hero General Norman Schwarzkopf, will have three different reverse varieties. The Silver Mine reverse die broke in half after 65 bars were struck. Serial numbers 076-150 were then struck with Silversword Productions' reverse die. A new and slightly different Silver Miner reverse die is currently being engraved. Serial numbers 066-075, and numbers from 151 to a maximum of 300 will be minted with the new reverse. For more information, write: The Silver Mine, P.O. Box 21781, Seattle WA 98111.

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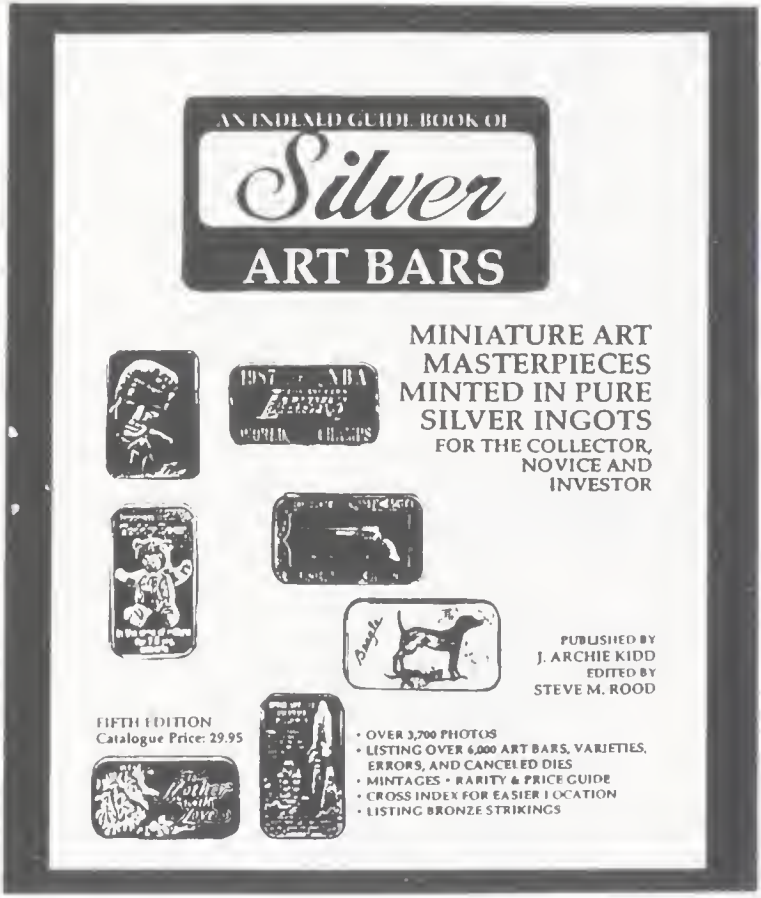

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AUGUST—1978

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The Winners of last month's contest were Dale Lynn and Steve Rood. As a special bonus, we will print our secret recipe for acorn bread!

---Duane, you forgot to print the recipe. Do you still have a copy?

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COMING IN THE NEXT BUGLE: A reprint from the Limited Edition on the first four bars struck by U.S. Silver Corp., by Duane Spellman.

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Full Page.....$25.00

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A short Article by Bill Cassin:

MINTAGES

Have you ever given thought to Mintages and what they mean ?. Especially when it comes to the number of rounds or bars that are available to a collector.

There is no way to accurately tell how many pieces of a particular issue are available to the collector. Generally there are three ways that mintages are announced:

(1) Mintage. This states that this is the total items that can be struck. At the same time it doesn't say that the total amount will be struck.

(2) Open Mintage. This tells you that there is no limit to the number of items that can be struck.

(3) No Mention of Mintage. Where there is no mention of mintage, you can bank on it being Open where the amount struck is up to the person issuing the item.

Now for the "Sticky Wicket". A producer may announce a total mintage of an item, but is unsure of how they will sell. It is decided to produce part of this mintage, test the market, and go on from there. If the item sells, more will be struck until possibly the total mintage figure is reached. If the item doesn't sell, production is cut off. It is rare that a producer will announce the final mintage of his item. This results in actual mintages that are far different than expected.

On the other hand, I know of producers who announce a mintage and have this total struck at the first minting. At times an item will sell out and he wishes he had upped his estimates. On the other hand, it is far more likely that he will have a surplus that will be melted down at a later date. Again, nothing to indicate true mintage, or what is available.

Other producers advertize the issuance of an item. Art work is included in the Ad.. They then wait until they receive enough orders to justify striking the item. They include a few extra for their own use. These people risk very little money in the venture. Seldom is there an announcement of the final mintage.

As you can see, mintage is very inaccurate when you try to associate it with a Bar or Round.

Are You Moving?

Please let us know!

ELECTION REMINDER!!

The July issue of the Bugle will be your last chance to give members advance notice of your interest in running for office and making a campaign statement before the ballot is printed in the September Bugle. Send your letters to:

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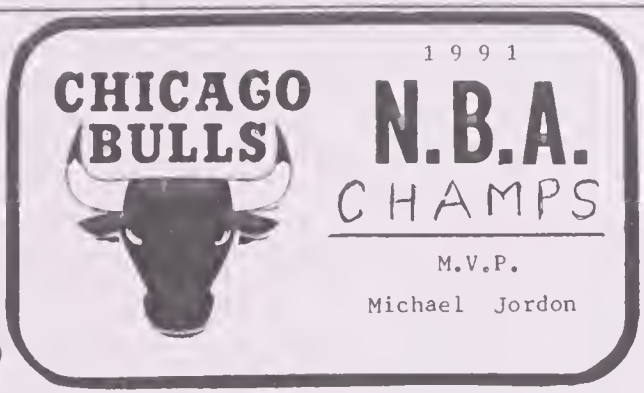

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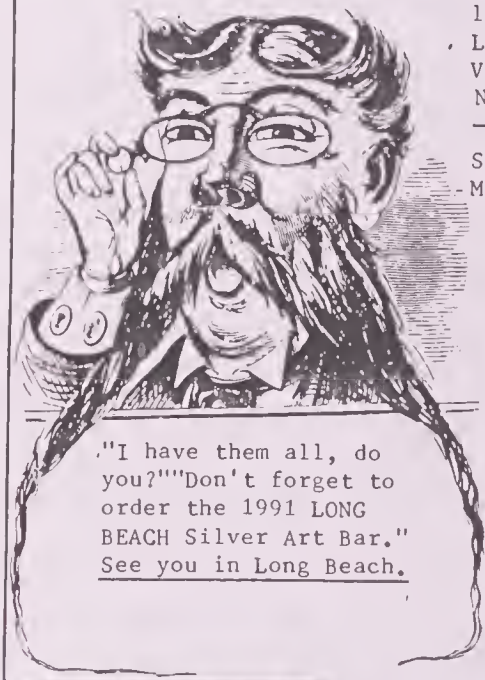

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Slot Machine

1986 Cincinatti, Ohio
White Bengal Tiger

1987-Statue of Liberty

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1989--20th Anniv. Apollo 11..

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